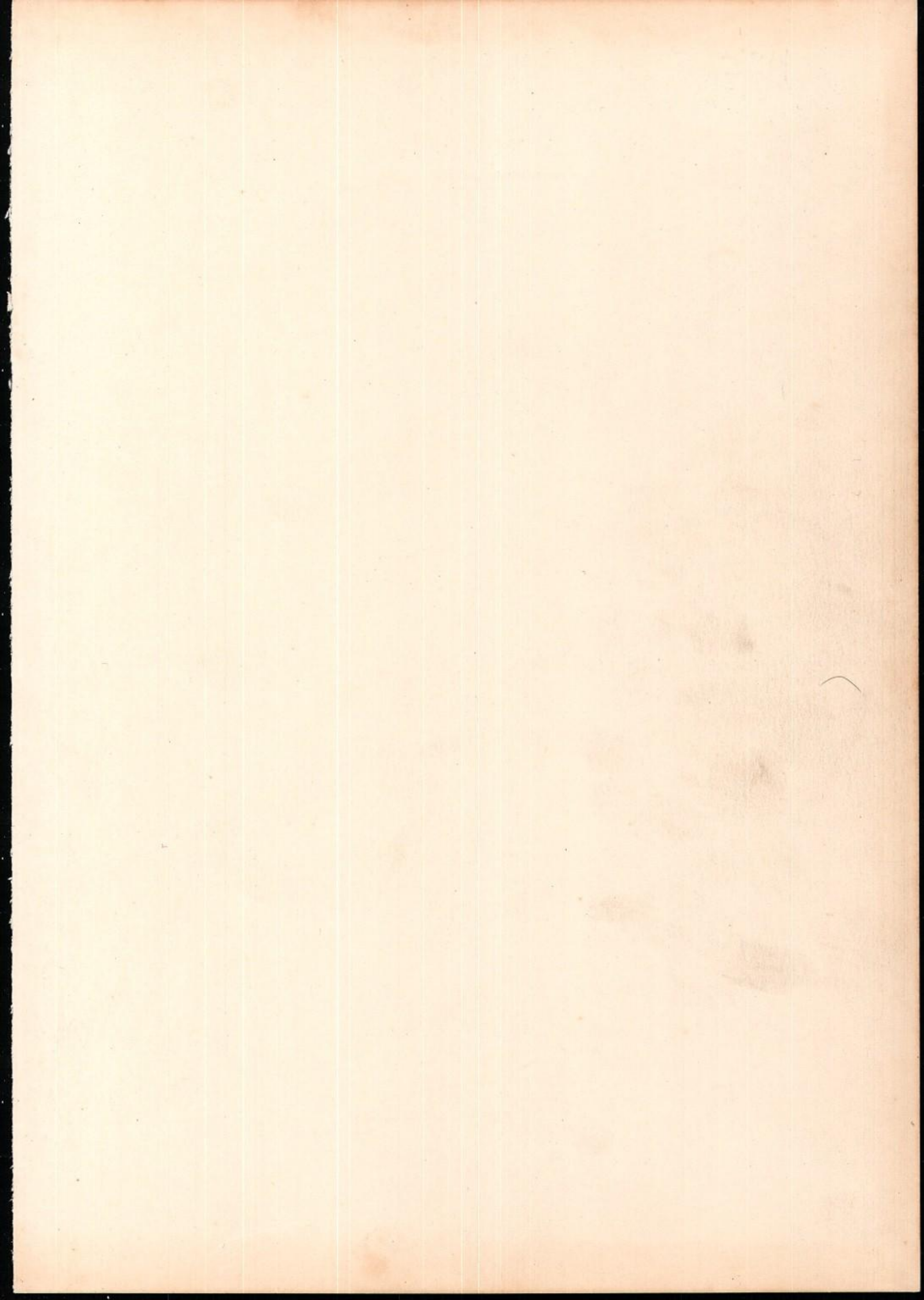


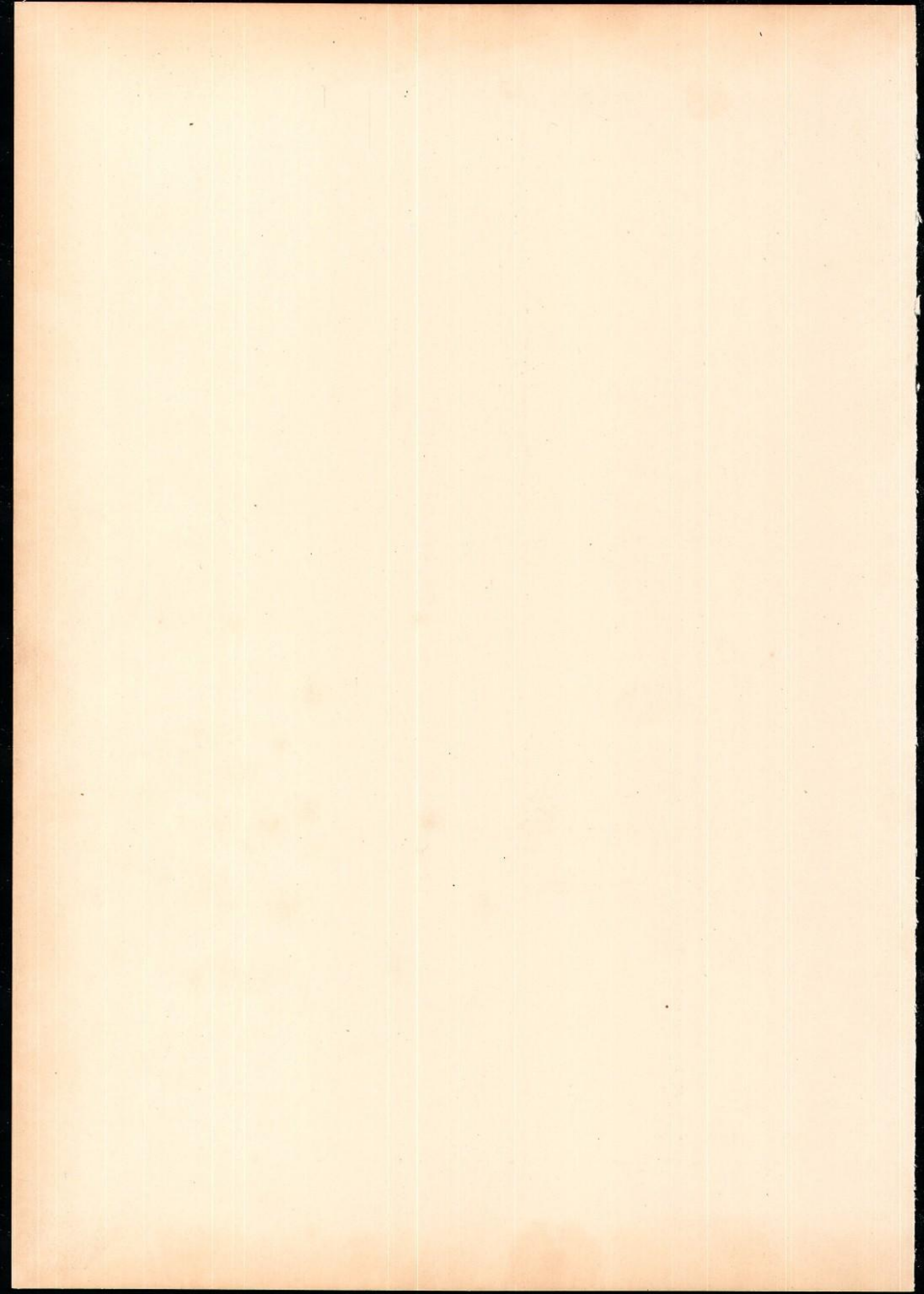
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Alma Mater

Our strong ties cannot be broken,
Formed in Sparta-High,
Far surpassing wealth unspoken,
Sealed by friendship's ties.

Chorus:

Hail to Sparta, Alma Mater,
Tender, fair and true,
Grateful we with love unfailing,
All our vows renew.

All the days we've been together,
Fondly we recall,
Days of fair and stormy weather,
Thou hast gladdened all.

Years may dim our recollection,
Time its change may bring,
Still thy name in fond affection,
Evermore we sing.

Dedication

To our Parents, in recognition of their years of patient toil and sacrifice to provide for us the opportunity of a high school education, we, the class of 1950, lovingly dedicate THE SPARTAN.

Appreciation

To the people of Spartansburg and vicinity in appreciation for their splendid support of Sparta Vocational High School and the SPARTAN, we, the Class of 1950, express our sincere gratitude. We highly esteem their co-operative spirit in supporting our new sponsor system which we are using this year in place of the advertising system. It is through the support given by these sponsors that we are able to publish the SPARTAN.

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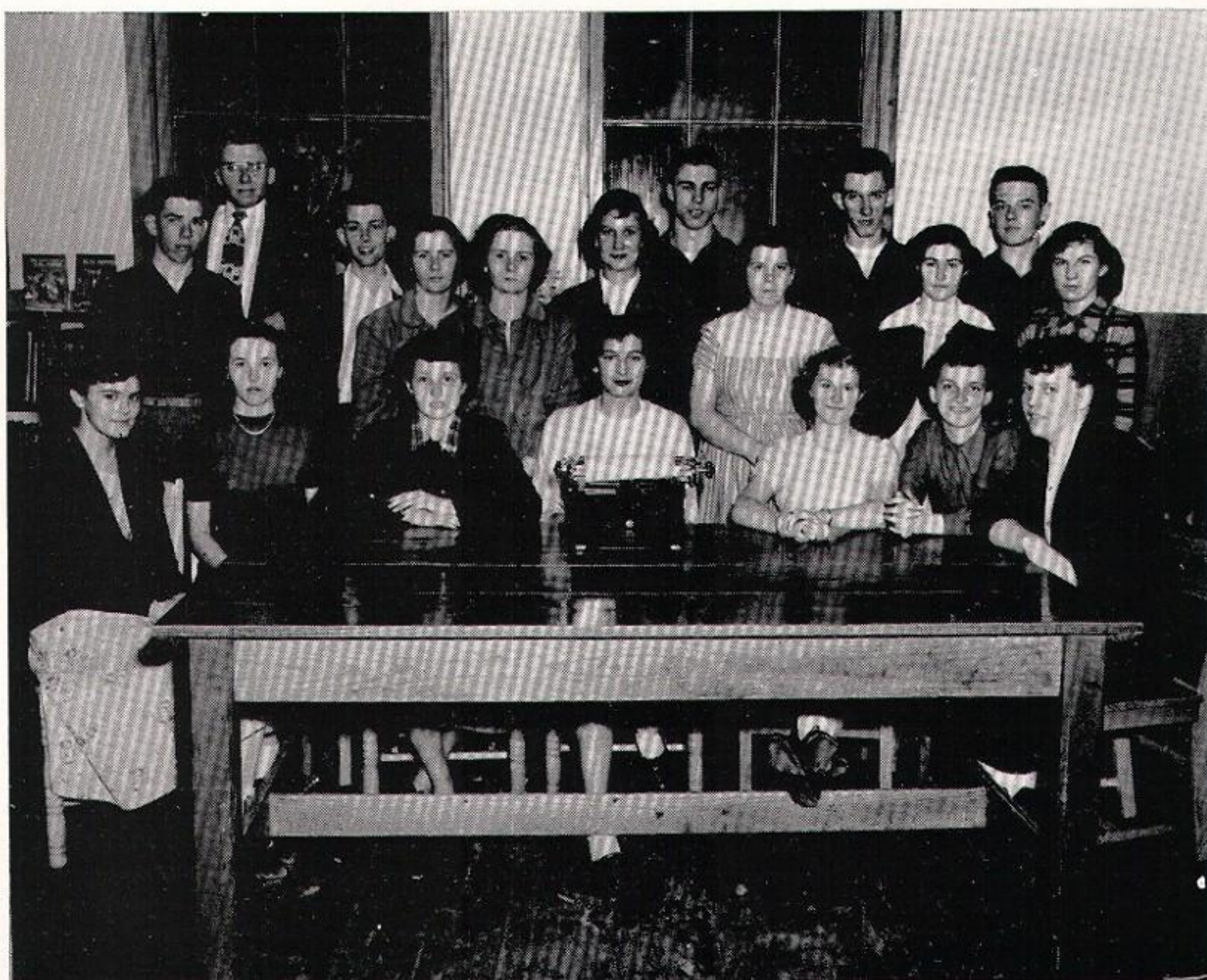
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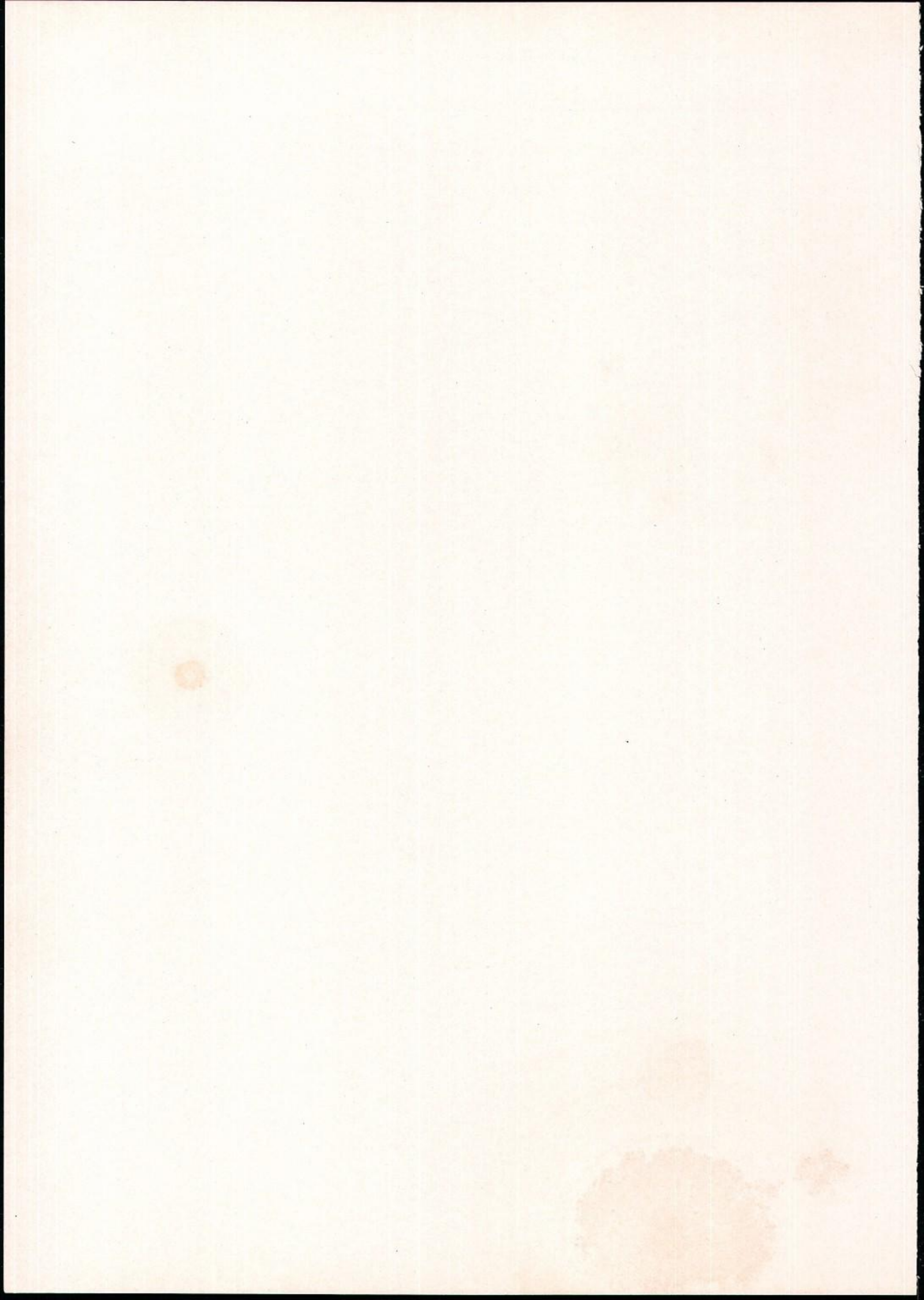
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Standing—Gordon Fralick, Mr. Babcock, Kieth Fralick, Janet Rose, Jane Rose, Joan Tillotson, Donald Jones, Laura Straite, Gene Webber, Marcella Stover, Gordon Brown, Ethel Brink.

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Administration







School Board

Seated—J. A. Murray, Supervising Principal; E. F. Firth, Secretary Joint Board; Richard Witmer, President; Fern Sayre, Treasurer; Mabel Isthman, Secretary Township Board.

Standing—Neil Stranahan, Lyle Stranahan, James Glenn, Lynford Jackson, Marion Alsdorf, Vice President, Rexford Still.

Absent—Willard Tillotson, Ralph Blakeslee.

Sparta is fortunate in having as members of the Board of School Directors outstanding citizens who accept their important responsibility. They devote their time and efforts without remuneration except the satisfaction that an effective school program has been maintained.

Twelve years ago when the class of '50 started their education there were 200 on the roll, and progressing thru school many more have followed, until now in 1950, there are 350 on the roll. Due to this fact, an addition to the school is very necessary. Recognizing this, the school board is planning an addition to the building in the near future.

The student body and the faculty wish to express their thanks and appreciation to the Board of Directors for their willing co-operation and progressive attitude toward the cause of education.



Faculty

Front Row—Lucille Firth, 4th grade; Helen Hutchison, Home Economics; Elizabeth Bunce, 2nd grade; Margaret Morris, Latin and English; Virginia Wells, 1st grade, (succeeded by Irene Edwards and Nellie Pattison).

2nd Row—Lucy Morris, Social Studies; Helen Morton, Physical Education, English, and Biology; Marie Pattison, 3rd grade; Mabelle Weidner, 5th grade; Barbara Newman, 6th grade.

Back Row—Peter Gall, Physical Education, Science; Henry Bailey, Vocational Agriculture; Alan Babcock, Physical Education, Mathematics; James Murray, Supervising Principal.

Not included in picture—Marie Good, Music.

Bus Drivers



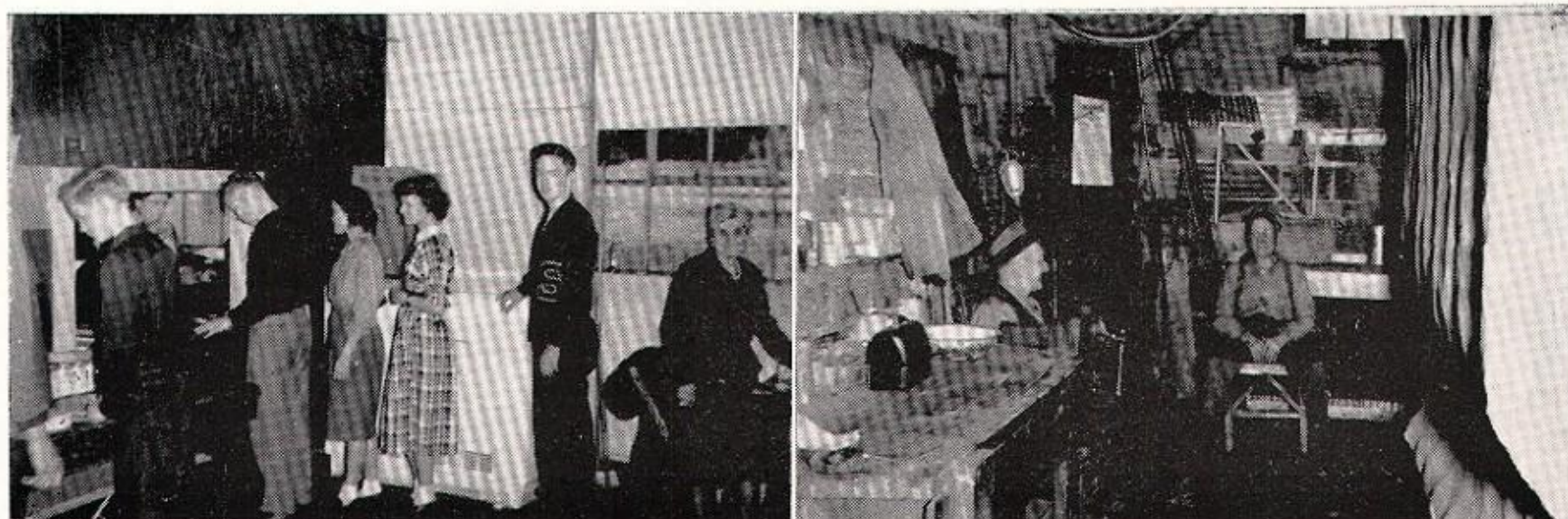
Seated—Earl Roberts, Ivan Rose, Alvin Dyne
Back Row—Paul McCray, Clarence Nichols, Oliver Thompson.



Cooks & Janitors

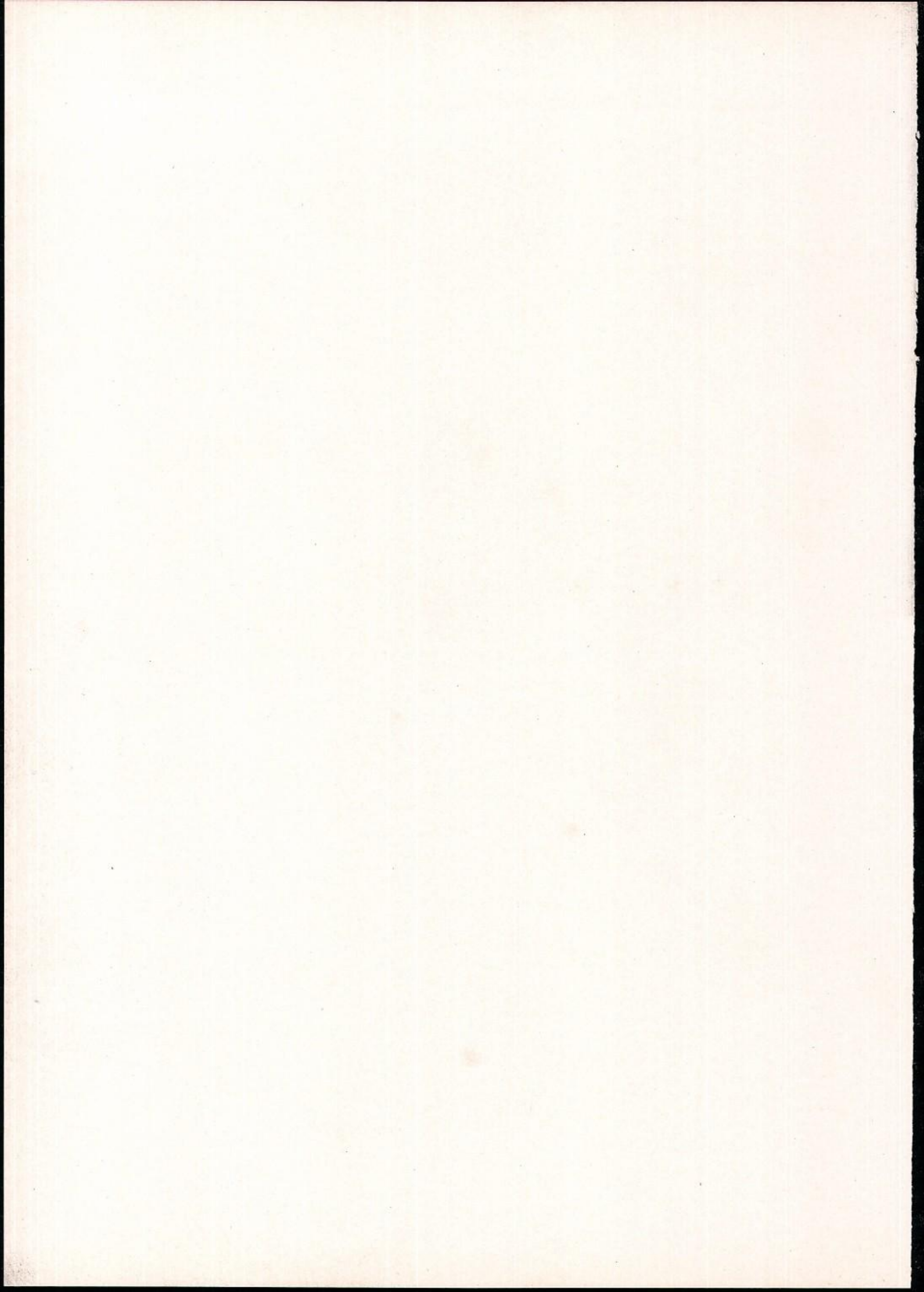


Roy Dalrymple, Custodian; Mrs. Ray Stutzman, Jr., Ass't. Cafeteria Cook
Mrs. Ray Stutzman, Sr., Cafeteria Cook; Jesse Goodwill, Custodian



Seniors







PAUL BAKER *Baker* November 14

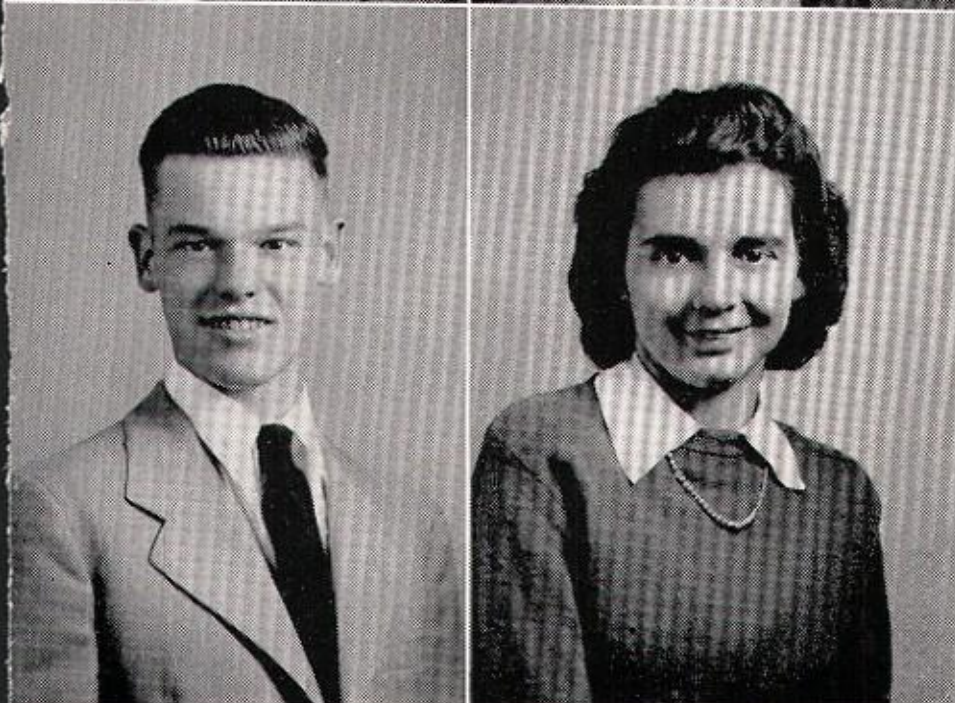
Basketball 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; President 1; Junior Play; Senior Play; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

Loquacious . . . mischievous . . . better late than never . . . why we need game wardens.

ETHEL BRINK *Red* January 25

F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Senior Play.

Petite . . . red head . . . Oil City fan . . . wonderful seamstress . . . flighty.



GORDON BROWN *Boomer* September 11

Basketball Manager 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Athletic Ass'n. 2; Vice President 3, 4; Senior Play.

Dependable . . . studious . . . confident . . . speedy . . . never same car twice.

CLARA BUNTING *Bunny Rabbit* April 7

F. H. A. 2, 3, 4.

Reserved . . . willing worker . . . friendly smile . . . typical woman driver.

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SUE ANN DORN *Suzzy* September 12

Basketball 2; Volleyball 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4.

Model housekeeper . . . basketball fan . . . contagious giggle . . . loose jointed.

ALTA EHRHART *Annie* March 26

Cheerleader 1; Athletic Ass'n. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 2; President 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Yearbook Staff 3, 4.

Neat as a pin . . . naaaaw-thing . . . competent . . . tall . . . dark . . . and wel-l-l tall.

GORDON FRALICK *Monkey* September 23

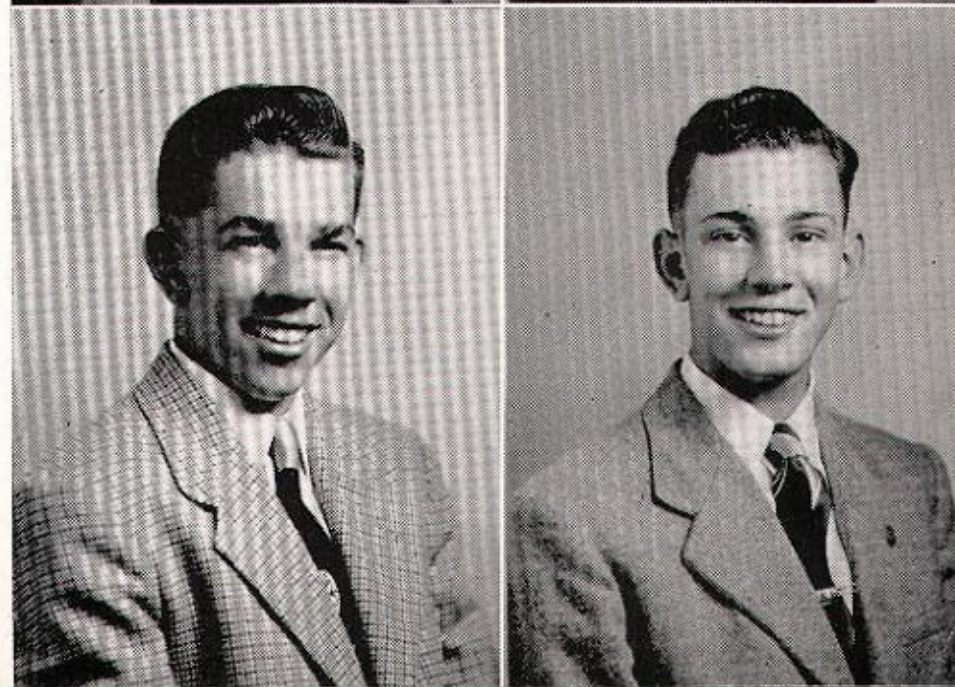
Basketball 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.

Always a grin . . . likable disposition . . . Senior moneybags . . . enjoys laughing and getting a laugh.

KEITH FRALICK *The Wheel* April 2

Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3; Junior Play.

Sparta's Sinatra . . . gentleman farmer . . . flirtatious . . . unfortunate one-armed driver.





DONALD JONES *Ducky* May 5

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Athletic Ass'n. 2, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 1; President 2, 3; Yearbook Staff 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.

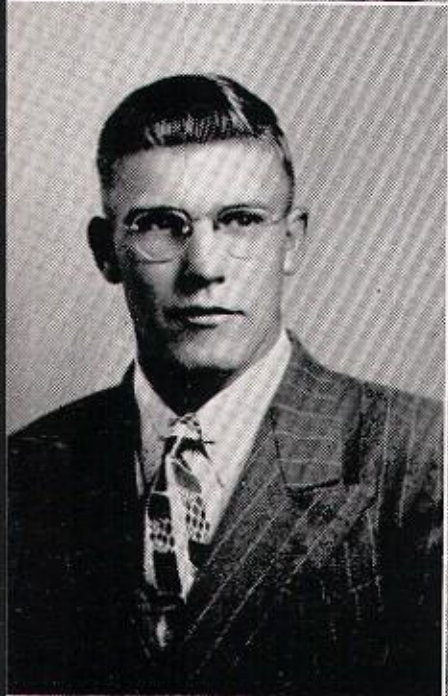
Basketball mainstay . . . boisterous . . . domineering connoisseur of pickles . . . well groomed casanova.



LAVONNE MAYS *Vonny* August 24

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play.

Friendly nature . . . hard worker . . . Leo's dancing partner . . . sturdy basketballer.



DONALD McCRAY *Didey* August 10

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play.

Speed demon . . . argumentative . . . fast talker . . . avoids exertion.



MARY ANN RITTENHOUSE *Dimples* January 5

F. H. A. 3; Safety Patrol 3; Latin Club 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Dimples . . . attracted by uniforms . . . tomboy . . . dark eyes . . . horticulturist.

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CAROL ROGERS *Babe* August 25

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Athletic Ass'n. 4; Junior Play.

Queenie . . . ruffled coiffeur . . . ten hours of sleep a night . . . our chauffeur.

JANE ROSE *Twin* November 6

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Secretary 2.

Dreamer . . . tempermental . . . active in sports . . . bookworm.

JANET ROSE *Twin* November 6

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Vice President 2; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4.

Fluent talker . . . tempermental . . . active in sports . . . bookworm.

RUBY SHOEMAKER *Rube* September 23

F. H. A. 2, 3, 4.

Moody . . . school comes second . . . aloof . . . never in a hurry.





JOANNE SHREVE *Shreve* April 30

F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Volleyball; Basketball 1; Secretary 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Yearbook Staff 4.

Our versatile cheerleader . . . rogiush . . . small and spicy . . . Just wild about Ducky.

JOYCE SNAPP *Joyce May* November 25

F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 3, 4; Junior Play.

Clinging vine . . . Ichabod's slouch . . . very friendly . . . huge appetite.



MARCELLA STOVER *Mar* October 7

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Athletic Ass'n. 4; Senior Play.

Musically minded . . . short and sweet . . . quiet.

LAURA STRAITE *Wee Wee* December 19

F. H. A. 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Yearbook Staff.

Dependable . . . worth knowing . . . earnest . . . short and rotund.

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LUCILLE TAYLOR *Cil* June 25

F. H. A. 4.

Horse lover . . . lean and lanky . . . new-comer . . . speedy typist . . . takes off early.

JOAN TILLOTSON *Lard* August 25

Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3, 4; Athletic Ass'n. 3; Cheerleader 3; Junior Play; Senior Play; Yearbook Staff 4.

Attracts the opposite sex . . . nonchalant songbird . . . leader of all uprisings . . . active in sports.

GENE WEBBER *Paul Bunyan* October 11

F. F. A. 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3; Movie Projector Operator 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

Mechanically minded . . . quiet . . . willing to help . . . lofty.

LOWELL WEIDNER *Freckles* September 17

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

Oh that bankroll . . . bashful . . . that long, low, sleek, noiseless Willys.



Senior Class History

'Twas in the fall of old "forty-five,"
Our freshman class began to jive.
Twenty-eight on the roll, with the girls in the lead,
The boys were outnumbered, and much in need.
A Hallowe'en party with games old and new,
Truth and cons', cootie, and "post office" too.
'Tis said that last game was enjoyed very much.
Especially by "peekers" like Bub and Hutch.
Next party was Christmas, and oh what a riot!
We ate so much chili, we all had to diet.
Remember that quaint little game, "Let 'Er Fly?"
On Valentines Day it brought many a sigh.
At Fralicks we said our farewell toast,
In the form of a jolly weiner roast.
Now we were sophomores . . . Give us a hand.
We gifted the fair with a prospering stand.
All joined in to help in this pleasure,
We came out on top and so did our treasure.
The usual holiday parties were had,
And parting that spring was very sad.
Summer vacation had seemed very gay,
But back to the homeport we came for a stay.
That year at the fair we took prizes galore!
Our float, our display, and even more.
Now for some fun . . . Hurray! Hurray!
We picked out a comical Junior Play.
It took us back to "tham thar hills,"
With lots of ignorant, innocent spills.
This is the story of our past,
We're seniors now . . . At last, At last.

By Joan Tillotson



ALAN BABCOCK
Senior Advisor



JAMES A. MURRAY
Supervising Principal

Senior Who's Who

Paul Baker—Biggest Prevaricator
Ethel Brink—Baby of the Class
Gordon Brown—Most Business Like
Clara Bunting—Quietest
Sue Ann Dorn—Class Blusher
Alta Ehrhart—Neatest
Gordon Fralick—Class Joker
Keith Fralick—Class Crooner
Donald Jones—Best Athlete
Lavonne Mays—Class Comedian
Donald McCray—Most Argumentative
Mary Ann Rittenhouse—Tomboy
Carol Rogers—Sleepiest
Jane Rose—Bossiest
Janet Rose—Soberest
Ruby Shoemaker—Best Seamstress
Joanne Shreve—Sweet as Honey
Joyce Snapp—Slimmest
Marcella Stover—Lovergirl
Laura Straite—Shortest
Lucille Taylor—Jack of all Trades
Joan Tillotson—Most Devilish
Gene Webber—Tallest
Lowell Weidner—Lavonne's Romeo

CLASS SONG

"I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles"

CLASS COLORS

Maroon and Gray

Senior Class Will

Paul Baker's promptness to Tom Kolaja.
Ethel Brink's Oil City to Carol Morton.
Gordon Brown's waddle to Eleanor Yager.
Clara Bunting's quietness to Clifford Morton
Sue Ann Dorn's housekeeping ability to Sherry Clark.
Alta Ehrhart's freckles to Glenn Cook.
Gordon Fralick's sense of humor to Charles Peck.
Keith Fralick's acrobatic ability to Craig Kinney.
Donald Jones' physique to Le Roy Weidner.
Lavonne Mays' Lowell to Martha Smith.
Donald McCray's ability to drive to Charlotte Skiff.
Mary Ann Rittenhouse's love of uniforms to Doris Harrison.
Carol Rogers' Frazier to Everett Miller.
Jane Rose's better half to Doris Gilson.
Janet Rose's lesser half to Dora Gilson.
Ruby Shoemaker's cow to Lyle Van Tassell.
Joanne Shreve's teeth to Leo Jackman.
Marcella Stover's teardrops to Lila Bewley.
Joyce Snapp's ball and chain to Ginger Rittenhouse.
Lucille Taylor's height to Eloise Ehrhart.
Joan Tillotson's dates to Alma Straite.
Gene Webber's mechanical knowledge to James Weidner.
Lowell Weidner's bankroll to the Junior Class.
Laura Straite's waistline to Dolores Lindsey.

Senior Baby Pictures



Front Row: Laura Straite, Lowell Weidner, Mary Ann Rittenhouse, Paul Baker.

2nd Row—Ethel Brink, Joyce Snapp, Jane and Janet Rose, Lavonne Mays, Marcella Stover, Gordon Brown.

3rd Row: Carol Rogers, Sue Ann Dorn, Alta Ehrhart, Gordon Fralick, Keith Fralick.

Back Row: Donald McCray, Joan Tillotson, Gene Webber, Donald Jones.

Juniors



Junior Class History

1947-48

Our freshman year was started with a comparatively small class. It grew even smaller when two of the fairer sex took their leave of absence from the class. Shirley Fralick moved to Bradford for reasons unknown. For Theresa Ayers romance was way ahead of education. This left our class with six girls and fourteen boys. Then the girls had a steak of luck as that handsome, likeable Texan, Allen Greenfield came to town. By this time the boys were on the war path, and their cry was, "We want more women." And I might add they meant every word of it.

At the first of the year class officers were elected to direct the activities of the class as follows: President, Le Roy Weidner; Vice-President, Dolores Lindsey; Secretary, Virginia Rittenhouse; Treasurer, Wilma Burlingame.

Up popped the excitement of the Sparta Fair, (never a dull moment) and with it the problem of a float. Everyone wracked his brain for a prize-winning idea. Finally, Leo Jackman (a women's man) came up with the idea of a mock wedding. To make the theme a timely one the wedding was made a military affair with this placard: "America Welcomes Her Alien Brides." This splendid suggestion, along with hours of manual labor, reaped a harvest of twenty dollars (first prize) for our treasury. A large share of the success of this float was due to the experienced guidance of our home-room teacher, Miss Margaret Morris.

We had our Halloween party at school, for it was impossible for every one to attend at night. As for Christmas, it was decided that we would have our party in the afternoon to eliminate **studying**.

To complete our freshman year we held a weiner roast at the home of Miss Margaret Morris. A warm fire, games, home made ice cream and a weiner roast made this party a very memorable occasion. When it was time to leave (let's not mention the time) everyone parted with deep regret. (Or did they?)

1948-49

The following September, after everyone had wandered in from the surrounding hills and the heads were counted, the class was saddened to find one of their most likeable girls missing. Virginia Rittenhouse had decided to attend Colestock High in Titusville.

The class got off to a good start by the election of the following officers: President, Lyle Van Tassel; Vice-President, James Weidner; Secretary, Wilma Burlingame; Treasurer, Eleanor Yager.

The Fair and the Sophomore Pie and Coffee Stand is the next important event in the class history. The co-operation of everyone made it a financial success. Everything went smoothly until Halloween. Gaylord Northrop invited the class to his home for the occasion. The party was enjoyed by all, with (burp! pardon me) everyone leaving happy. Then came Valentines Day with another party. This was held at the residence of Leo Jackman. Post-office was the outstanding game of the evening. (no kidding!) All smooching was done in a dark room in private with the exception of peeping Tom. (The Skunk.)

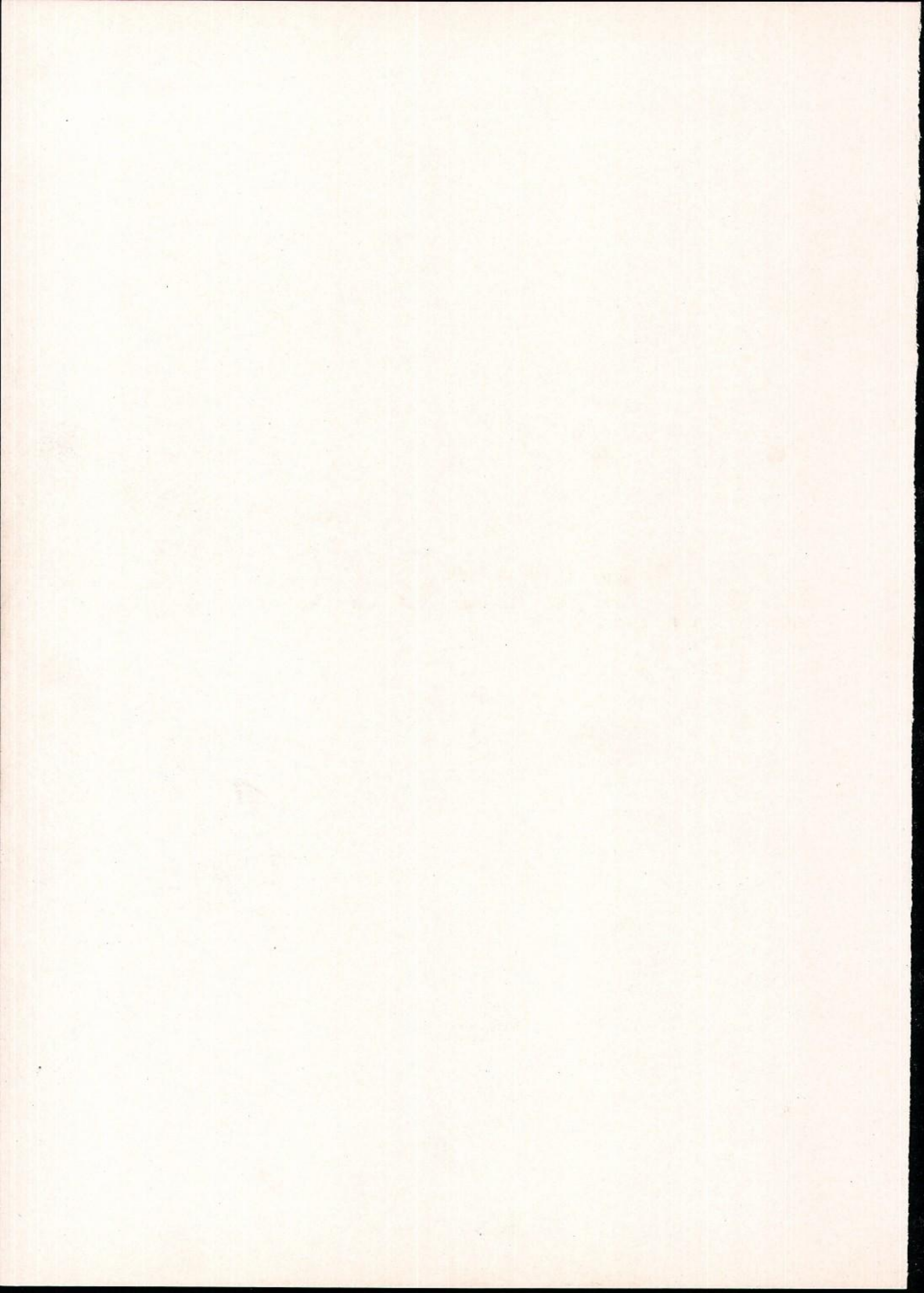
To complete the year a hamburg fry was held at the home of Le Roy Weidner. Games, Lemonade, and an all around evening of fun was had by all. And so we close the History of the Class of "51."

Be seeing you next year.

Beardslee Van Tassel

Sophomores





Sophomores



Front Row—Carol Larson, Janice Brown, Margie Rose, Betty Harrison, Eunice Brenner, Arlene Conant, Lois Peck, Zelia Stutzman.
 2nd Row—Nancy Mays, Charlotte Skiff, Alma Straite, Helen McCray, Harriet Tubbs, Martha Smith, Shirley Hartman, Shirley Crosby.
 3rd Row—Glenn Cook, Cliff Morton, Ronald Jones, Melvin Rogers, Ken Swartz, Tommy Eastman, Craig Kinney.
 4th Row—Blair Skiff, Everett Miller, Bruce Weidner, Glenn Burlingame, Jim Daniels.
 Back Row—Norman Bailey, Charles Peck, Melvin Hebets, Dillon Vroman.
 Absent—Durwood Rogers.

Class Officers

President	Clifford Morton
Vice-President	Janice Brown
Secretary	Carol Larson
Treasurer	Zelia Stutzman

Who's Who

Most popular girl—Charlotte Skiff
 Most popular boy—Cliff Morton
 Most beautiful girl—Carol Larson
 Most handsome boy—Melvin Rogers

Best girl athlete—Helen McCray
 Best boy athlete—Durwood Rogers
 Best all round girl—Janice Brown
 Best all round boy—Melvin Rogers

Sophomore Class History

From all of us to all of you
We wish to write this script anew.
To save you grief,
We'll make it brief,
And hope it holds your interest, too.

Fair-time came 'round with all its pleasures.
To make much cash we took great measures.
We had a pie stand,
The best in the land.
Our coffee and cream was one of life's treasures.

Now we must not forget our boys' team,
'Cuz those guys are sure right on the beam.
Thru thick and thru thin,
We'll help 'em to win,
For we're proud of these lads to extreme.

That's that for the team ; now on to the next :
'Round Halloween time we laid down our texts,
We planned a hayride,
Learned this on the side :
To buy cider by barrels, and donuts by pecks.

In December so festively gay,
O, Where might a party hold sway?
Not a soul seemed to know
Where thirty-four ought to go,
For an evening to have right of way.

The problem was solved by Miss Morris,
Into her home she did pour us
The house shook with our laughter.
Was that loud bang a rafter?
Ah, no ! Twas just thirty-four voices in chorus.

That's the end of our theme, but not of our story ;
We'll tell you again next year of our glory !
So for us don't pine,
Like a star we will shine.
Just watch us lead Sparta to vict'ry !

By Carl Larson and Janice Brown.

Freshmen



Freshmen



Front Row—Donna Jackman, Eloise Ehrhart, Sherry Clark, Louise Rabishaw, Phylis Morris, Marjorie Morris, Lillian Miller.
 2nd Row—Carol Morton, Julia Rugar, Helen Kane, Alice Bailey, Marian Janosec, Rama Hamilton.
 Back Row—John Stockton, Donald Stranahan, Paul Blakeslee, Ken Vanderhoof, Milo Obert, Richard Hicks, Elmer Frankenfield, Mr. Bailey.

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Helen Kane
Vice-President	Marian Janosec
Secretary	Sherry Clark
Treasurer	Alice Bailey

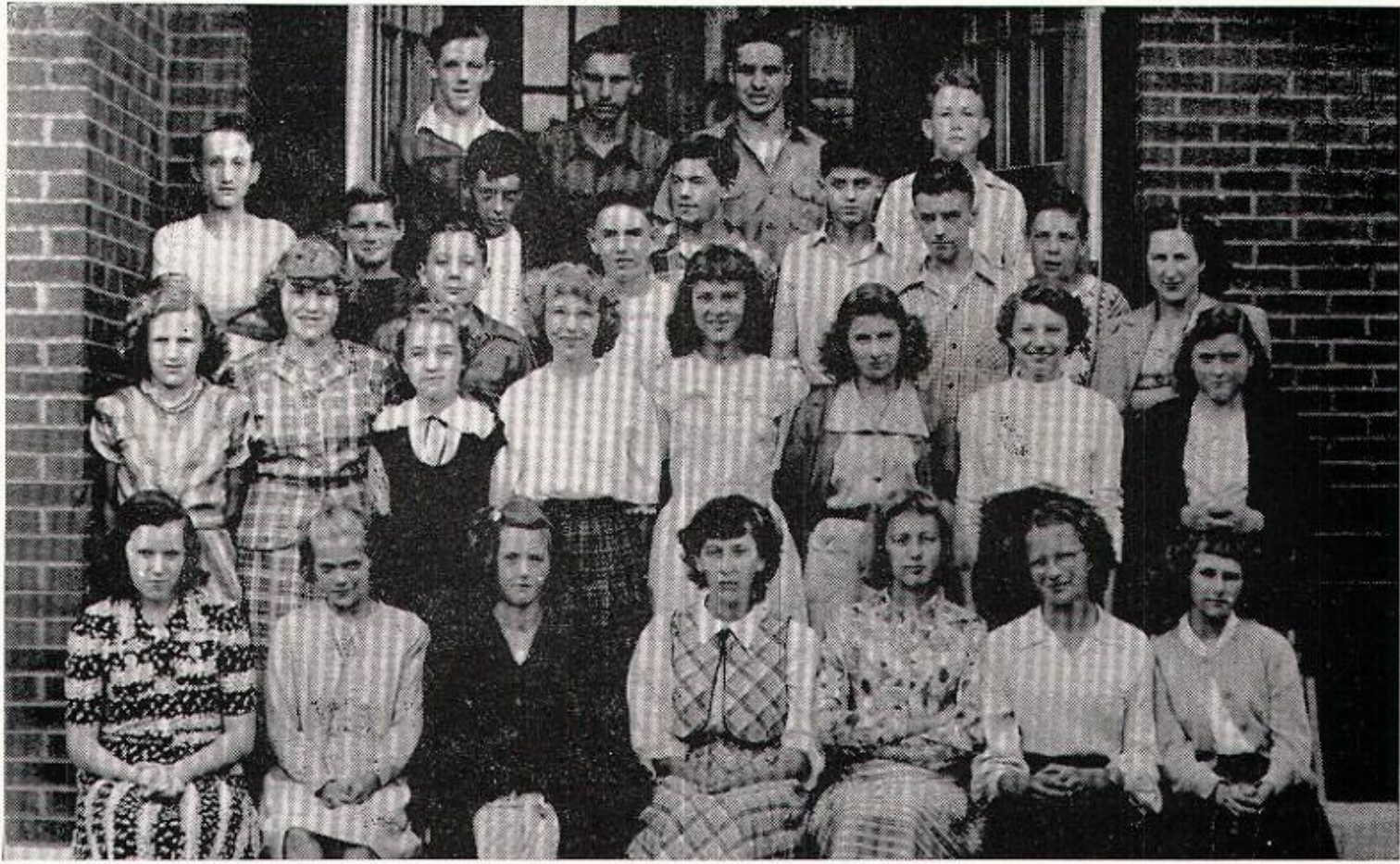
"WHO'S WHO?"

Most Popular Girl	Donna Jackman
Most Popular Boy	Donald Stranahan and John Stockton
Best Looking Girl	Donna Jackman
Best Looking Boy	Donald Stranahan
Most Athletic Girl	Alice Bailey
Most Athletic Boy	Kenneth Vanderhoof
Best All-round Girl	Helen Kane
Best All-round Boy	Donald Stranahan

Grades



EIGHTH GRADE



Front Row—Lois Hatch, Lois Kean, Charlotte Hebets, Edith Lay, Shirley Long, Shirley Wetherbee, Patty Hartman.
 2nd Row—Anna Rogers, Betty Lou Culver, Connie Snapp, Ruth Nichols, Doris Nichols, Shirley Swartz, Katherine Vroman.
 3rd Row—Craig Wetherbee, Billy Morton, Ronald Guignon, Roland Hebets, Sonny Blakeslee, Jerry Cartwright, Dick Vanderhoof, Sherman Stanbro, Neil Chelton, Mrs. Morton.
 Back Row—Billy Carter, Andy Cinkias, Donald Goodwill, Robert Davis.

SEVENTH GRADE



Front Row—Dorthea Hicks, Ruth Hamilton, Eileen Edwards, Jaccolin Clark, Mary Rasey, Katherine Sutton, Julia Vanderhoof.
 2nd Row—Clifford Straite, Edwin Armitage, James Wagner, Roger Mays, Lester Straite, William Watson, Lucy Morris.
 3rd Row—Thomas Bimber, Janet Thompson, Shirley Winans, Dora Gilson, Dorothy Watson, Doris Gilson.
 4th Row—John Stanbro, Edward Carter, Donald Wetherbee, Melvin Bewley, Vernon Culver.
 Back Row—Leonard Jackman, Buddy Vanderhoof, Joe Miller, James Brink, Richard Jones.

SIXTH GRADE



Front Row—Shirley Sutton, Lena Wetherbee, Sandra Wetherbee, Judy Tillotson, Phyllis Hebets, Cleo Heliker, Patsy Kysor, Irene Rogers, Betty Vanderhoof.
 2nd Row—Joanne Lindsey, Eleanor Fairchilds, Janice Peck, Blanch Hartman, Janice Rogers, Sandra Blakeslee, Mona Lee Terrill, Eddie Winans, Mrs. Barbara Newman.
 3rd Row—Virginia Bewley, Joyce Francis, Yvonne Kinney, Beverley Kinney.
 4th Row—Walter Conant, Keith Messenger, Charles Tubbs, Charlotte Morris, James Pattison.
 5th Row—Raymond Lincoln, Carl Bates, Robert Bedow, Claude Still.
 Back Row—Charles Brink, Leonard Potter, Arnold Crosby, Ronnie Hamilton.

FIFTH GRADE



Front Row—Jean Kean, Doris Brown, Jane Kinney, Nancy Hahn, Barbara Fish, Linda Morton, Roberta Schweitzer, Margie Rogers.
 2nd Row—Patsy Stranahan, Beverly Vanderhoof, Elizabeth Hartman, Sally Maker, Violet Goodwill, Ernest Vanderhoof, Donald Stanbro, Mabelle Weidner.
 3rd Row—Raymond McCray, Harold Crosby, George Vroman, James Halfast, Gordon Nichols, Larry Brown, Graeme Bewley, Fred Roberts, Curtis Maker.
 Back Row—Elwood Dorn, Larry Lincoln, Robert Hebets, Eugene Muzzy, Walter Stutzman, Thomas Braner, Charles Rittenhouse.

FOURTH GRADE



Front Row—Erma Wetherbee, Bernice Brenner, Helen Thompson, Shirley Gilson, Beverly Morris, Ellen Thompson, Ruth Wade, Shirley Lincoln, Wynona Hicks.
 2nd Row—Joan Hicks, Joyce Fuller, Judith Miller, Edna Gilson, Nyla Armitage, Ronda Gleason, Mary Jo Sherwood, Patricia Hebets, Lucille Firth.
 3rd Row—David Hahn, John Payer, John Van Wie, Richard Cornell, Richard Rose, Milo Maker, Bernard Van Tassel.
 Back Row—Richard Varish, David Hallberg, Troy Rasey, Arland Edwards, Waid Terril, Gordon Bailey, William Miller, Gerald James.

THIRD GRADE



Front Row—Sharon Lincoln, Evelyn Hahn, Eileen Berkey, Shirley Bedow, Carol Dorn, Carole Brenner, Janet Tillotson, Marguerite Fairchilds, Janet Nichols, Evelyn Harris.
 2nd Row—Mary Nadonley, Janet Sutton, Ruth Oveatt, Sandra Lindsey, Susan Phusch, Ann Louise Rowley, Cheri Tillotson, Sandra Tillotson, Donna Clark, Mrs. Pattison.
 Back Row—Brad Graves, Carl Greer, Oliver Mosher, David Riffenberick, Larry Gleason, Richard Gilson, Charles Allen, William Lay, Terry Crosby.



Willetta Kinney, Diana Steadman, Kathleen Payer, Christine Yoder, Sandra Varish, Jessie Allen, Drescilla Scouten, Wilma Jean Yoder, Cynthia Thompson, Suzanne McAninch, Mary Doohar, Patricia Maker.

2nd Row—Frances Brink, James Powell, Lois Childs, Colin Nichols, Milton Schweitzer, Doris Childs, David Sterling, Jeannette Lindsey, Regis Hutchinson, Ellen Glenn, John White, Bruce Vroman, Chapman Clark, Marlene Hebets.

3rd Row—Carlos Shambaugh, Gilbert Scouten, Gail Vanderhoof, Timothy Graf, Carl Saxton, Garwood Steadman, Ralph Mosher, Frederick Diemer.

Back Row—William Nichols, Ronald Nichols, Robert Terrill, Robert Rensema, Daniel Van Tassel, Douglas Blakeslee, Mrs. Elizabeth Bunce.



Front Row—Deborah Fish, Mary Hahn, Louise Sherwood, Joyce Raupach, Mary Ann Diemer, Eunice Wade, Carol Ann Morris, Mary Conant, Roxanna Hamilton, Helen Yoder, Judy Ann Bryant, Barbara Rogers.

Second Row—William Powell, Robert Hutchinson, Virgil Gilson, George Rose, David Tripp, Jon Tillotson, Donald Rifenberick, James Kysor, George Montgomery, George Lay, Dennis Hebets, Roger Stranahan.

Between Rows 2 & 3—Albert Brenner, Clarence Fuller, Roy Nichols.

Third Row—Roland Sutton, Martin Pfush, Dennis Northrop, Donald Higby, Norman Penoyer, Robert Sheldon, Paul White, Larry Halfast, Allen Skiff, Clarence Steadman.

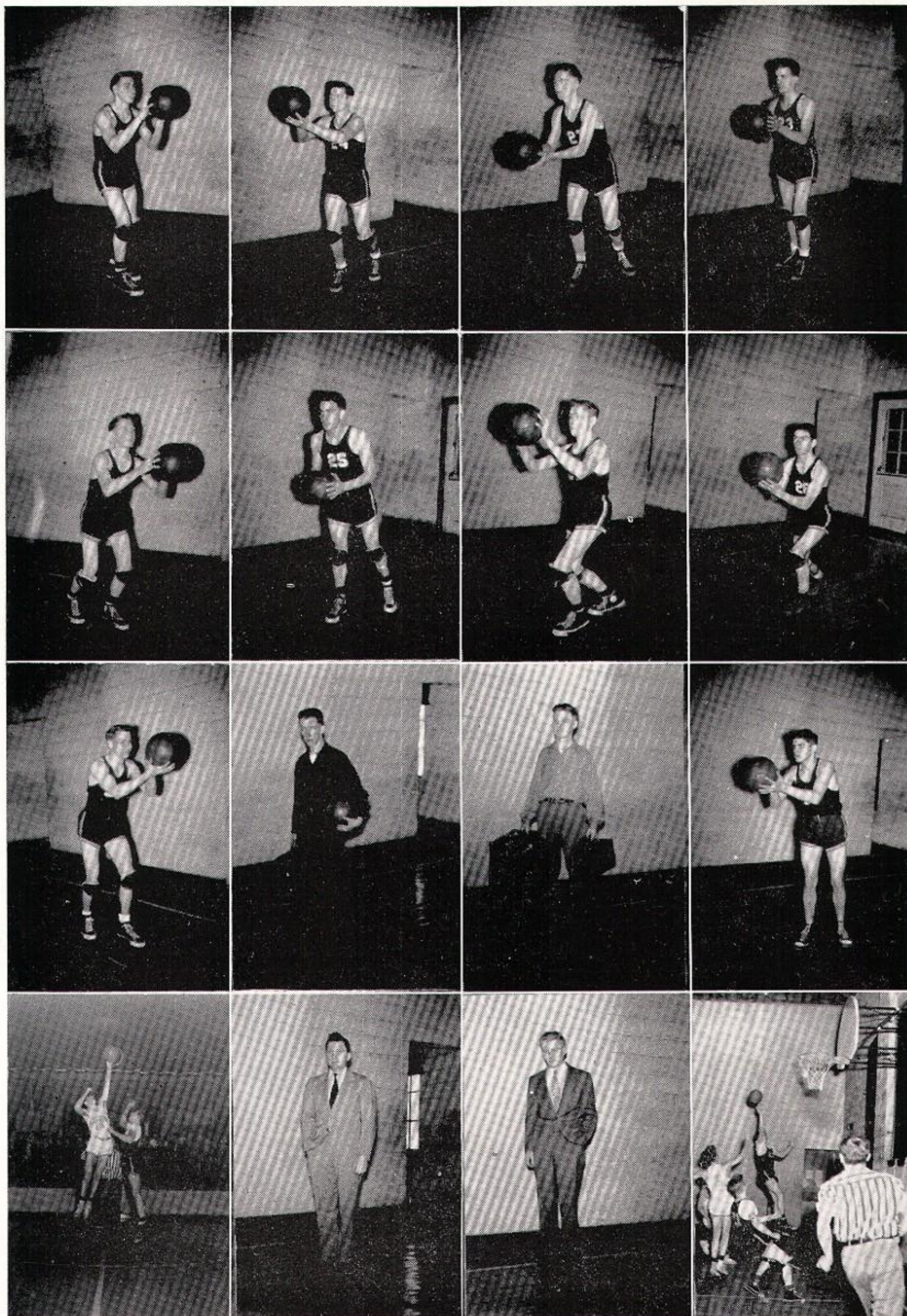
Fourth Row—Janet Shreve, Dora Lee Blakeslee, Nancy Morris, Judy Sutton, Carole Brown, Alton Rogers, Donald Bigelow.

Back Row—Margaret Hicks, Edna Hartman, Kathryn Heliker, Anna Marie Gilson, Terry Berkey, Clyde Ross, Larry Rigby, Dennis Maker.

Teacher—Mrs. Virginia Wells.

Basketball





D. Jones
D. Rogers
R. Jones

C. Morton
T. Kolaja
G. Webber
Mr. Gall

G. Cook
N. Bailey
G. Brown
Mr. Babcock

C. Stockton
E. Miller
K. Vanderhoof

Varsity Basketball Squad



Seated—Norman Bailey, Glenn Cook, Clifford Morton, Ronnie Jones, Clifford Stockton, Donald Jones, Durwood Rogers, Tom Kolaja.

Back Row—Gene Webber, Gordon Brown, Everett Miller, Donald Stranahan, John Stockton, Tommy Eastman, James Daniels, Kenneth Vanderhoof, Alan Babcock, Pete Gall.

Captain ----- Donald Jones
Managers ----- Gene Webber, Gordon Brown
Coach ----- Pete Gall
Assistant Coach ----- Alan Babcock

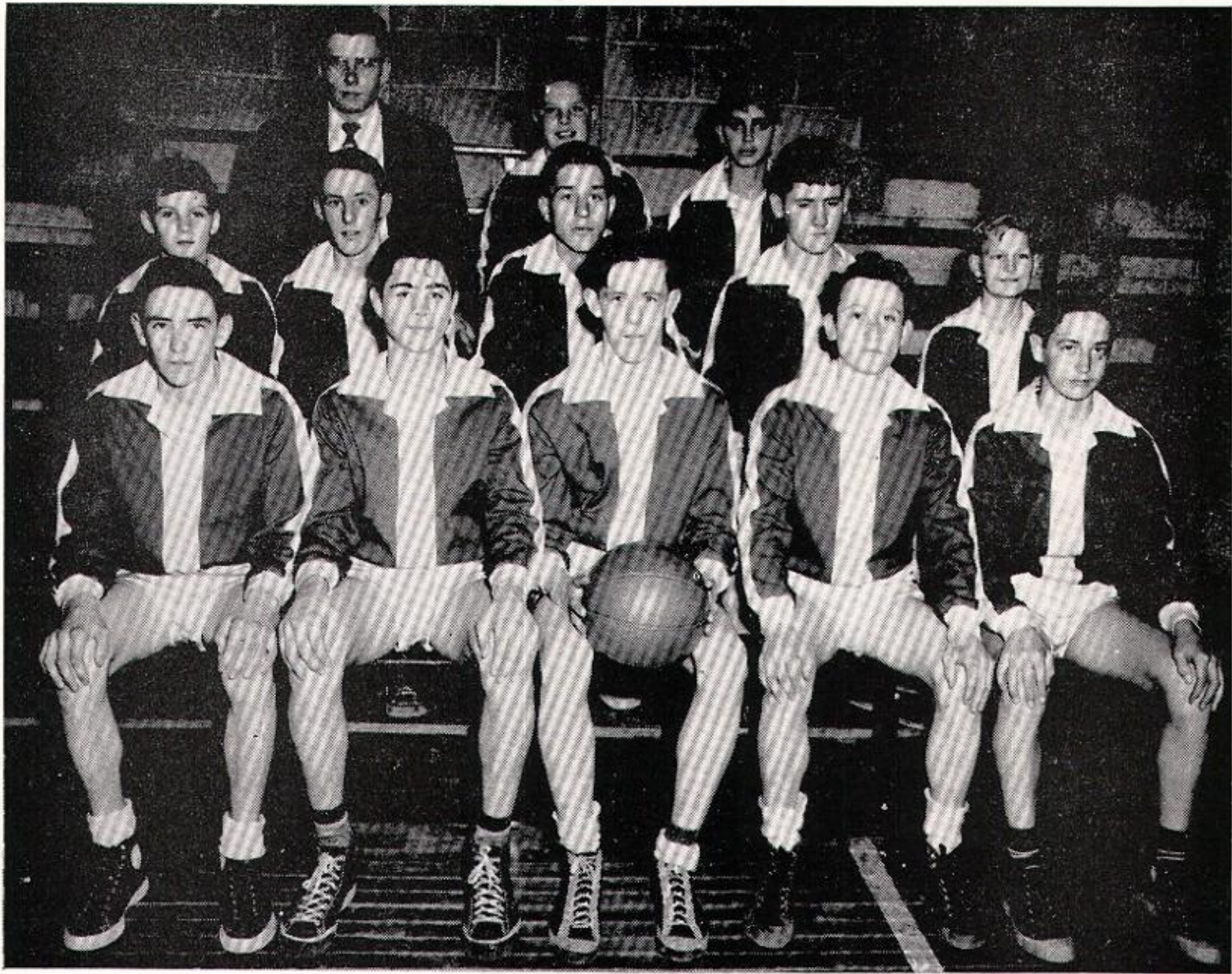
Fall practice found coach Gall with six lettermen returning from the 1948-49 season. During the early weeks of practice, Glenn Cook accidentally fractured his left arm. The boys got off to a good start, but fell back in early league competition. After Christmas vacation they came back strong to give the league leaders a scare in many close ball games. Because of so many sophomores on the team, 1950 must be looked upon as a year of building and developing for the future. Coach Gall was constantly changing the starting line-up in an attempt to find the best possible combination. "The Jones boys" with Ronald scoring 167 pts. and Donald close behind with 161 pts. paced the team in the scoring column in the 21-game season. The team loses only one man for next year. With the benefit of this year's experience and with further development of individual co-ordination and team play, we believe that the next few years will be very bright for Spartansburg Basketball followers.

Season's Record

SPARTA			OPPONENTS			SPARTA			OPPONENTS		
T	Sparta	35	Wattsburg		28	H	Sparta	59	Titusville, St. Joe's		19
*H	Sparta	35	Pleasantville		34	*T	Sparta	38	Pleasantville		47
H	Sparta	32	Wattsburg		12	*H	Sparta	21	Saegertown		25
*T	Sparta	30	Saegertown		40	*H	Sparta	28	Randolph		37
H	Sparta	23	Oil City, St. Joe's		45	T	Sparta	60	Waterford		42
*H	Sparta	37	Randolph		51	*T	Sparta	56	Townville		36
H	Sparta	32	Alumni		45	*T	Sparta	28	Bloomfield		27
T	Sparta	33	Edinboro		32	T	Sparta	56	Titusville, St. Joe's		36
*H	Sparta	21	Townville		27	T	Sparta	39	Oil City, St. Joe's		72
H	Sparta	24	Edinboro		32						
*H	Sparta	30	Bloomfield		31						

*—indicates League Games.
League standing—fourth.

Junior High Basketball



The junior high team this year was made up of only players in the seventh and eighth grades. Of these, only two boys had had any previous competitive experience. Most games were played against older and more experienced players on the opposing teams. As the season progressed, the new coach and the new players became better acquainted, and the results began to show on the court. The boys missed the Junior High tournament by dropping a playoff game to Pleasantville.

Blakeslee and Carter were standouts during the 19 game schedule. The entire team returns to junior high competition next year and the boys hope to reverse this year's won-lost record of four and fifteen. If the boys continue to improve and develop next year as they did during the past campaign, they will establish a record as good or better than their elders on the senior varsity.

Season Record

SPARTA				OPPONENTS				SPARTA				OPPONENTS			
T	Sparta	10	—	Wattsburg	21			T	Sparta	20	—	Corry	53		
H	Sparta	15	—	Wattsburg	29			*H	Sparta	17	—	Townville	24		
H	Sparta	19	—	Randolph	43			H	Sparta	15	—	Corry	35		
H	Sparta	17	—	Saegertown	23			*T	Sparta	11	—	Pleasantville	23		
*T	Sparta	18	—	Townville	26			T	Sparta	12	—	Randolph	25		
T	Sparta	18	—	Saegertown	39			*T	Sparta	24	—	Bloomfield	15		
H	Sparta	8	—	Waterford	20			T	Sparta	9	—	Waterford	22		
T	Sparta	34	—	Edinboro	14			**T	Sparta	13	—	Pleasantville	18		
*H	Sparta	25	—	Pleasantville	13										
H	Sparta	20	—	Edinboro	25										
*H	Sparta	25	—	Bloomfield	10										

* Indicates league games.

**Indicates playoff.

Athletic Association



Front Row—Leo Jackman, Carol Rogers, Alta Ehrhart, Clifford Morton.
 2nd Row—Donald Stranahan, Jerry Cartwright, Leo Burlingame.
 Back Row—Donald Jones, Marcella Stover, Wilma Burlingame, Glenn Cook, Mr. Peter Gall.

Officers

President	Glenn Cook
Vice-President	Donald Jones
Secretary	Carol Rogers
Treasurer	Alta Ehrhart
Assistant Treasurer	Wilma Burlingame

The Athletic Association opened its first meeting for the 1949-50 season with the election of officers. Nominations were made and the following officers were elected. President, Glenn Cook; Secretary, Carol Rogers; Treasurer, Alta Ehrhart; Assistant Treasurer, Wilma Burlingame.

Next each home room elected a representative to attend the meetings. They were as follows: Seventh, Leo Burlingame; Eighth, Jerry Courtwright; Ninth, Donald Stranahan; Tenth, Cliff Morton; Eleventh, Leo Jackman; Twelfth, Marcella Stover.

Through the direction of the Athletic Association, the cheerleaders were chosen.

Another meeting was held for the purpose of electing persons to help in the conducting of the basketball games. Joan Tillotson was named scorekeeper and her assistant Marcella Stover. Dick Cook and Bernard Skiff took care of the timekeeping. Pop was sold at the games being taken care of by Roland Rogers and Sonny Blakeslee. Alta Ehrhart and Wilma Burlingame took care of ticket selling. The game schedules were posted by managers Gene Webber and Gordon Brown.

The naming of the ball diamond was discussed, but no name has yet been selected. Each home room is to present a name; from the group the name will be chosen.

At the conclusion of basketball season a banquet was held April 14, at Twi-Lite Inn.

Cheerleaders



Left to right—Keith Fralick, Joanne Shreve, Eloise Ehrhart, Bill Morton, Carol Morton.

This year Sparta High School started out with a peppy squad of cheerleaders consisting of three girls and three boys. The enthusiasm of this squad throughout the basketball season stimulated the spirits of both the team and the spectators.

The squad suffered the loss of Leo Jackman, one of its peppiest members near the end of the season. However, all anticipate his return next year, peppier than ever.

The cheerleaders were chosen on a competitive basis and have proven themselves a worthy asset to the school.



Activities



Future Farmers of America



Front Row—Henry Bailey, Herbert Stanbro, Tom Eastman.
 2nd Row—Gordon Brown, Gene Webber, Gaylord Northrop, Russel Dingfelder, Donald Jones, Donald Swarts, Paul Baker.
 3rd Row—Craig Kinney, Melvin Rogers, Donald McCray, Ronald Jones, Keith Fralick, Clifford Stockton.
 Last Row—Blair Skiff, Gordon Fralick, Durwood Rogers, Glenn Cook, Norman Bailey, Clifford Morton.
 Absent: Paul Blakeslee, Donald Stranahan, Milo Obert, John Stockton, Ernest Dyne, Donald Jeffreys.

Officers

President	Gaylord Northrop
Vice President	Glenn Cook
Secretary	Melvin Rogers
Treasurer	Durwood Rogers
Reporter	Clifford Stockton
Sentinel	Ronald Jones
Advisor	Henry Bailey

The F. F. A. started this year with a small treasury balance and high hopes. Our first job was to plan for the Community Fair and prepare the barn and the gym for displays. This we did very well under the supervision of Mr. Bailey. We also sold ice cream at the fair.

We went to the County Fair at Meadville and took part in the judging contest. As hunting season approached, we formed two teams for a game contest. Mr. Gall's team lost and had to make arrangements for the game supper, which was prepared and served by the F. H. A. girls. The fathers of the members were honored guests and neighboring game wardens were the featured speakers.

The next event which interested us was the State Farm Show at Harrisburg. A group of five, who were selected on the basis of scholastic standing, attended this for a week. Seed selling and preparations for Parent and Son Banquet were the main activities of the Spring.

Future Homemakers of America



Front Row—Joanne Shreve, Carol Rogers, Ethel Brink, Alta Ehrhart, Wilma Burlingame, Mrs. Helen Hutchinson.
 2nd Row—Joyce Snapp, Lavonne Mays, Joan Tillotson, Laura Straite, Marcella Stover, Doris Harrison.
 Back Row—Sue Ann Dorn, Jane Rose, Janet Rose, Lucille Taylor, Erma Brown, Clara Bunting, Ruby Shoemaker.

Officers

President	Joan Tillotson
Vice-President	Alta Ehrhart
Secretary	Jane Rose
Treasurer	Dolores Lindsey
Historian	Wilma Burlingame
Advisor	Mrs. Helen Hutchinson

The F. H. A. was organized in 1948 and much interest in its activities has been shown by all members. Only Juniors and Seniors are permitted to join, and at the end of each school year Sophomores are admitted and initiated into the club. This event is usually looked forward to with great expectations.

The clubs activities are varied; a trip to the Farm Show in Harrisburg, parties for all holidays, selling candy and hot dogs, and serving at banquets.

Last year a large felt banner symbolizing the emblem and motto of the organization was purchased. This year each girl received a sterling silver pin and guard which they proudly displayed.

Another trip is being planned for the future. The girls hope to spend a day at Niagara Falls and enjoy the sights.

Latin Club



Front Row—Alta Ehrhart, Joan Tillotson, Carol Larson, Laura Straite, Zelia Stutzman, Janice Brown.
 2nd Row—Janet Rose, Mary Ann Rittenhouse, Jane Rose, Eleanor Yager, Carol Rogers, Margaret Morris.
 3rd Row—Virginia Rittenhouse, Lila Bewley, Alma Straite, Eunice Brenner, Ethel Brink.
 Back Row—Le Roy Weidner, Shirley Crosby, Shirley Hartman, Margorie Rose, Lyle Van Tassel.

Officers

Consul	-----	Alta Ehrhart
Praetor	-----	Laura Straite
Scriba	-----	Carol Larson
Quaestor	-----	Joan Tillotson
Censor	-----	Janice Brown
Janitor	-----	Zelia Stutzman
Magister	-----	Margaret Morris

Salvete . . . The Latin Club started off this year's whirl with the initiation of fourteen new members October 18, 1949. We're sure everyone noticed the cute burlap bags representing tunics worn by the pledges during initiation. The final rites were held at a mysterious gathering in the school building. After an enjoyable meal of the remains of Gullible Guss, the new members were draped in togas and in a solemn candle light ceremony officially making them patriachs or Roman citizens.

Our annual Roman banquet was held in the midst of Christmas festivities at the home of Magister, Margaret Morris. The evening was typically Roman, carrying out the old Roman customs. We believe we can safely say that "No one went home hungry!"

Til next year . . . Valete



Safety Patrol



The Safety Patrol was organized in '48 with the purpose of bringing about greater safety for students of Sparta school. Their duties were maintaining order in the loading and unloading of buses, and also aiding the driver while the buses are in motion. They were on duty at all group activities of the school including movies, basketball games, assemblies, and cafeteria periods.

Captain	Herbert Stanbro
Ist Lieutenant	Craig Wetherbee
2nd Lieutenant	Eileen Edwards
3rd Lieutenant	Eddie Carter
1st Sergeant	James Brink
2nd Sergeant	Mary Rasey
3rd Sergeant	Richard Jones
4th Sergeant	Melvin Bewley
5th Sergeant	Melvin Hebets
Secretary	Ruth Nichols

Dramatics



Senior Play "Heart Trouble"



Seated—Marcella Stover, Laura Straite, Joanne Shreve, Donald Jones, Ethel Brink.
 Standing—Mrs. Helen Morton, Assistant Coach; Gordon Fralick, Paul Baker, Joan Tillotson, Alta Ehrhart, Gordon Brown, Mary Ann Rittenhouse, Lavonne Mays, Mr. Alan Babcock, Coach.

Another three-act comedy! The green-eyed monster (namely jealousy) played the most important part. After a few of the characters were thrown out . . . all was well. They played to a packed audience, enthused over such "Heart Trouble."

The cast was as follows:

Josephine Salisbury	Joanne Shreve
Nella Adams	Laura Straite
Roxanne Raymond	Lavonne Mays
Druscilla Gibbs	Ethel Brink
Claribel Baker	Alta Ehrhart
Martha Mason	Marcella Stover
Zelda Sanderson	Mary Ann Rittenhouse
Roy Roberts	Donald Jones
Ronald Randolph	Gordon Fralick
Otto	Gordon Brown
Robert Roberts	Paul Baker
Rosa Rosabelle	Joan Tillotson
Prompters	Jane Rose, Janet Rose

Junior Play "Mountain Justice"



Seated—Carol Rogers, Alta Ehrhart, Paul Baker, Joan Tillotson.

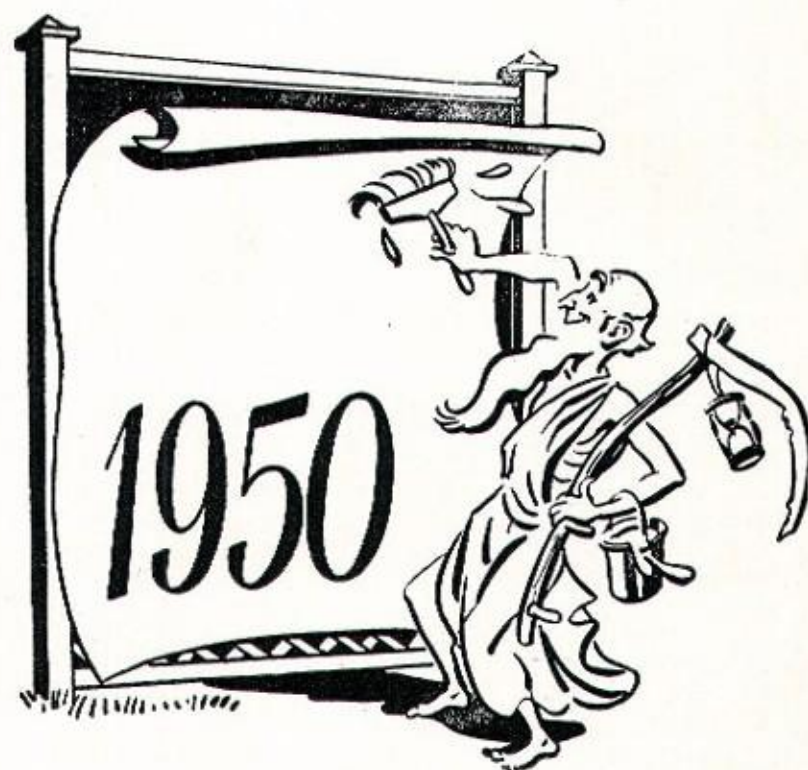
Standing—Gordon Fralick, Joyce Snapp, Lavonne Mays, Donald Jones, Donald McCray, Keith Fralick, Joan Shreve.

The action of this three-act comedy took place in the hills of Tennessee, where a few people from the city tried to swindle the mountaineers, but found it wasn't so easy. Between the dialect and "spur of the moment actions," it kept the audience roaring with laughter.

The cast was as follows:

Grandma Slocum	Joan Tillotson
Aunt Betsy	Alta Ehrhart
Pa Slocum	Paul Baker
Uncle Elmer	Donald Jones
Clemintine	Joanne Shreve
Claribelle	Carol Rogers
Johnny Matthews	Keith Fralick
Jonathon Hatfield	Donald McCray
Eberly Gather	Gordon Fralick
Mrs. Gather	Joyce May Snapp
Mrs. Cheatum	Lavonne Mays

School Calendar





SEPTEMBER—

- 6—School started.
- 8—Watch the birdie!! All class pictures taken.
- 9—F. F. A. boys judged at County Fair.
- 15—Carol Rogers crowned queen of Community Fair.
- 15-16-17—Community Fair.
- 27—Marcella Stover, the F. F. A. queen, motored to Wattsburg.
- 28—Livestock Show at Wattsburg.

OCTOBER—

Everybody watch your P's and Q's. Joan Tillotson is school reporter.

- 3—Smile pretty!! Senior Graduation pictures taken.
- 12—"Cider Jug Here We Come"—Class hay rides.
- 14—Yippee!! No school.
- 18—Gunnysacks, Guys and Gals—Latin Club Initiation.
- 24—Movie—"North to the Klondike."
- 25-28—Class Halloween parties.
- 26—Line up Kiddies! Individual pictures taken.

NOVEMBER—

- 1—Got a sweettooth??? 8th grade starts selling candy.
- 11—Oh a lil' wabbit—Magician for assembly.
- 16—Now look a here Kate! Henry V at Meadville.
- 16—Glenn Cook broke his arm.
- 18—Heart Trouble—oh No!!! don't tell me.
- 22—F. F. A. Game Supper—Discovered Joanne Shreve loves paper sacks.
- 24-25—Thanksgiving Vacation.
- 28—More vacation—First day of deer season.
- 29—Wattsburg—there.
- 30—Oh happy day!!—Sophomore class rings arrived.

Snapshots







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